WINDLESHAM WALKS Walk No.14

Start/Parking: Car Park adjacent to Brickmakers Arms P.H. Windlesham. Distance: 2.8km, 1.75 miles approx. Type of walk: Undulating. Wooded.



The walk starts in the left corner of the wooded car park beside the Brickmakers Arms. Take the public footpath, waymarked with yellow arrows, which runs alongside the public house, following the path uphill.



Cross over the tarmac drive, passing 'Little Ribsden' on the left to enter the footpath again between tall pines and a variety of large mature deciduous trees, and through a dark grove of rhododendrons.



The path crosses another tarmac drive serving 'Upper Ribsden' and climbs again. There are many exposed tree roots as the path now winds downhill to a wooden public footpath sign. Keeping to the right of the sign, continue to another footpath sign where you meet a wide track crossing the path. Turn right on to this wide track, which rises gradually uphill alongside a fairway.

After a short distance the golfers' Halfway Hut can be seen. Pause nearby to admire the velvet-like grass of the green.

The track continues passed the hut through a grove of pines. After



passing the buildings of the green-keepers' yard on the right, continue on a short tarmac section of the road between more tall pines.

At the junction where the road emerges from the trees and the surface changes to concrete, turn very sharply right on to a tarmacked roadway passing Kings Hill Cottage on the right.



The track becomes sandy and crosses a fairway (look out for golfers from the right) and continues through thinned pines.

The path emerges from the trees to cross another fairway – again keep a lookout for golfers from the left.



it curves around the hill to the left. Here can be seen various heathers softening the view of the bracken which covers the immediate area. On reaching the high point you can find a welcoming bench to view the heathland stretching out before you and on a clear day see the Surrey Downs. The path rises to the brow of the hill, where it is crossed by another track going east to west. Looking right you can observe a 'stink pole' or stench pipe that is still in use serving the underground sewage system which you have been following from Kings Hill Cottage.

Now turn left and follow the path as



Continue on down the path and look out for a raised Tee-off point to your left. On the right is an inconspicuous path winding down the side of the hill. This path is mainly used by the deer and other

animals which still inhabit the woodlands. You will eventually join the main footpath 76A that you left earlier.

On reaching a bridleway sign there is a choice of direction:- The lefthand path will bring you to Chertsey Road opposite Highams Lane. The shorter route proceeds forward into the trees. The path goes uphill and then winds downhill to a tarmac driveway or keep left beforehand and continue to emerge further on down.



Cross the tarmac road diagonally and right into the woods avoiding the mud in the wet season created by horses, to return to the car park.

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